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**HIS DRUNKEN RAGE.**  
JOHN WOLTER OF CHICAGO A  
MURDERER.

He Pursues the Female Members of  
His Family Out of Doors—Kills  
One Stepdaughter and Seriously  
Wounds Another—Tries to Kill  
His Wife.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)  
CHICAGO, June 11.—In a drunken  
rage, John Wolter, 40, a native of  
Poland, last night shot and killed  
his wife, and seriously wounded his  
stepdaughter, and tried to kill his  
other daughter.

He then shot and killed one stepdaughter,  
and seriously wounded another, and tried to kill  
his wife.

The tragedy took place at the Wolter  
residence, in the city of Chicago. The  
household had been an unhappy one  
ever since the marriage of Wolter to  
Mrs. Rose Stocker, two years ago. Mrs.  
Wolter is possessed of property valued  
at \$2500, left by her first husband. It  
seems to have been the cause of the  
tragedy.

Wolter had been drinking to excess  
and was in a violent mood. He had  
just returned from a party at the home  
of a friend, when he committed the assault  
upon his wife and stepchildren. Wolter  
had on previous occasions threatened  
to do violence to the members of  
his family.

When he stumbled into the house last  
night the young mother and her daughter  
were alone. Wolter, who was armed with  
a revolver, rushed into the house and  
onto the back porch. From there they  
went down the outer stairs to a veranda  
on the rear of the first floor.

Wolter, who was armed with a revolver,  
went out to the front yard and fired at  
the trembling members of his family. He  
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**Weather Forecast.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—For  
Southern California: Fair Friday;  
cooler along the coast Friday after-  
noon; fresh, northerly to westerly  
winds.

**New Public Buildings.**  
WASHINGTON, June 11.—Except  
Savannah, the capitals of the new  
States of Idaho, Wyoming, Montana  
and Utah are the only places that got  
appropriations for public buildings at  
this session of Congress. The House  
policy has been to report no bills for  
new buildings. After exhausting their  
efforts in that body, the western mem-  
bers secured the Senate amendments to the  
Sundry Civil Bill. Those items were  
the hardest fought between the two  
houses, and threatened to prolong the  
session some days. Senator Dubois  
who engineered the campaign in the  
Senate, was importuned to consent to  
drop the amendments, but the western  
Senators and Representatives refused  
to capitulate on any conditions.  
Finally the House accepted the amend-  
ments on a motion by Mr. Wilson of  
Idaho.

# GOOD STUFF.

What McKinley People  
Are Made Of.

They Loom Up Big in the  
Crowd at St. Louis.

In Fact They Are of the Salt  
of the Fifth Planet.

THE FEATURES TOUCHED OFF

Something About Mr. Hanna  
Besides Dollars.

Gen. Osborne on the School-life  
of the Candidate.

How His Great Cousin Came to  
Join the Army.

MR. HOBART OF NEW JERSEY.

Joseph Smith and a Garfield-Cam-  
bridge Incident—Mr. Dawes Who  
Fixed Matters in Illinois.  
Perry Heath and Herrick.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TIMES.  
ST. LOUIS, June 11.—(Special Dis-  
patch.) McKinley lieutenants have  
captured the convention, and they will  
be the leading figures of the next week.  
First there is Mark Hanna, fat, jolly,  
red-faced and prosperous. He has two  
ante-roomers to his parlors at the South-  
ern, and it takes as much red tape to  
get at him as at President Cleveland.  
Like Tom Platt, he is in the business  
for the power which it brings him. He  
is a rich man, but has made himself  
so by his own ability. He clerked in a  
store as a boy, saved his money and in-  
vested it in an iron mine. The mine  
mine paid and he bought more mines.  
He went into copper mines and coal  
mines as well as iron, and he has now  
an opium house, ships, bank stock and  
gold galore. Even on a gold basis he  
has an income of something like \$100,-  
000 a year, and he could run two such  
campaigns as he has been running and  
not have to go back on his enormous  
pile.

Hanna's financial interests all run  
along the line of protection and sound  
money, and his sympathies have al-  
ways been with McKinley. I was told  
at Canton the other day that when  
Hanna first met McKinley it was when  
the latter was opposing him as a law-  
yer for some of Hanna's coal-mines,  
who were on a strike. Hanna likes a  
good fighter. McKinley fought him so  
well that he beat him, and Hanna took  
pains to make his acquaintance. Later  
on both Hanna and Garfield told Hanna  
that young McKinley had good stuff in  
him, and through Hanna's work for  
Garfield his friendship for McKinley  
grew. He is now doing more for McKin-  
ley than he ever did for Garfield.

Hanna got into national politics  
through Garfield. Garfield never had  
much money. He lived well, and he  
borrowed a great deal. When he was  
nominated he was hard up, and in  
talking the matter over with Hanna, he  
told him his situation. Hanna practi-  
cally opened his purse to him for the  
incidental expenses connected with his  
campaign, and when Garfield was  
elected many Ohioans thought Hanna  
would be taken into the Cabinet. They  
were surprised when they found he  
wanted and would accept nothing. His  
chief pleasure seems to be to help other  
great men. He did this with John  
Sherman in his last Senatorial cam-  
paign, and he is now doing the same  
with McKinley. Hanna is a good mixer.  
He gives his orders in sharp, short  
sentences, and now and then empha-  
sized his sentiments with the mildly  
profane word, "damn." Still he is a  
man of culture, and his home life is  
said to be as beautiful as McKinley's  
own.

Another of McKinley's lieutenants is  
Joseph Smith, who was State Librarian  
when McKinley was Governor. Smith  
is a wiry, medium-sized, black-haired,  
blue-eyed young man of about 40 years.  
He is said to be the slickest man in  
Ohio, and he is now doing about Ohio  
politics and politicians than anyone  
else in the State. He is rather a singed  
cat kind of a fellow. You would not  
imagine his ability, but he has, I am  
told, laid out many of the plans which  
have made McKinley the probable  
nominee of this convention.

Smith met McKinley about sixteen  
years ago. It was during the cam-  
paign of 1880, and McKinley had to  
make a speech on Saturday at Port-  
smouth on the Ohio River. He had an  
engagement to go East that day with  
concerning the national campaign, and  
there were no trains running on  
Sunday on the railroad from Portsmouth  
to Columbus. McKinley told Smith he  
had to go, and Smith got him through.  
He learned there was a picnic at Circle-  
ville, half way to Columbus, and that  
by buying a certain number of tickets  
for this point the railroad would put

on a special. No one at Portsmouth  
wanted to go to the picnic, but Smith  
bought the tickets, got the train, took  
McKinley to Circleville and there hired  
buggy and drove about forty miles  
over the country to Columbus. From  
Columbus McKinley took the night  
train for Mentor and met his appoint-  
ment with Garfield. This gave McKin-  
ley an idea of Smith's resources, and  
since then he has been very close to  
him. McKinley never travels on a  
campaign tour without him, and if  
he gets to be President Smith is sure  
to have a confidential place at Wash-  
ington.

Another shrewd McKinley worker is  
Dawes of Chicago. He is the man who  
saw matters in Illinois by which the  
delegates were instructed for McKinley,  
and sat down on Culom. Dawes is a  
brown-mustached, thin-faced, bright-  
eyed, pleasant-voiced young fellow of  
35 years. He was born in Marietta,  
and his father represented that Ohio  
district in Congress for some years.  
Dawes began his business life in the  
West. He now owns half a dozen gas  
plants, including one at Evanston, near  
Chicago. He is, at 35, a comparatively  
rich man, and he says that he is work-  
ing for McKinley for the love of the  
thing and not for office. Like all the  
McKinley men, he will not talk about  
the Vice-Presidency, saying that "the  
McKinley men are here to nominate  
McKinley, and they don't care who is  
nominated for the second place on the  
ticket."

A man who spends much of the time  
with Mark Hanna and is one of the most  
influential members of the McKinley  
crowd is Myron T. Herrick, the presi-  
dent of the Cleveland Society for Sav-  
ings, a bank which has more than \$26,-  
000,000 of deposits. Herrick is only 40.  
He is tall, slender, thin-faced and red-  
haired. He is a good mixer, and handles  
the delegates in great shape.

Then there is Perry Heath, who left  
the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette in  
order that he might devote his time to  
McKinley. Perry is nearly 40, but he  
does not look to be 35. He is the hand-  
somest man in St. Louis. His cheeks  
are as rosy as those of an Irish milk-  
maid, and he looks sweet enough and  
clean enough to kiss. He has made  
money in newspaper work, and is worth  
about \$100,000, and is a shrewd political  
manager. What Perry wants I don't  
know, but I imagine a fat diplomatic  
post or the private secretaryship of the  
White House would suit him.

Several of McKinley's relatives are  
here. His brother Abner came today. He  
is much like Gov. McKinley, only  
shorter and fatter. He looks older than  
the latter, but he is ten years younger.  
He is more a looker-on than a political  
manager. Another important character  
is Gen. Osborne of Boston, McKinley's  
cousin. Gen. Osborne is a blue-eyed,  
gray-haired, white-whiskered man of  
fifty odd years of age. He knows more  
about McKinley's boyhood than any  
other man in the country. There's only  
nine months difference in their ages,  
and he and McKinley were brought up  
together. I had a long chat with him  
this afternoon about McKinley as a boy.

He said:  
"My mother and Nancy Allison McKin-  
ley, the Governor's mother, were  
sisters. My name is William McKinley  
Osborne, and I was named after the  
Governor's father. Will and myself  
went to school together at Holland, O.  
There was a school academy there, and  
Wolter's parents moved there in order  
that he might go to school at it. My  
father sent me to the same school, and  
I boarded with Uncle William. We  
were together at school about five years.  
"What kind of a boy was young Will  
McKinley," I asked.

"He was a queer fellow," replied Gen.  
Osborne. "He was quieter and more  
studious than the ordinary boy, and  
he did not seem to care for boy's  
play. I remember we used to start  
out fishing together and often, after  
fishing a short time, Will would drop  
his line and say: 'I guess I will go  
back and play with the girls.' He  
was a hard student, and he spent a  
great deal of time in the literary so-  
ciety, where he excelled as debater."  
"Did he have to work to put himself  
through school?" I asked.

"No," he replied. "McKinley's father  
was not a very poor man. He was an  
iron founder. This was then a very  
prosperous position. It required skill  
and brought good wages. McKinley's  
family always belonged to the best so-  
ciety of the town in which they lived.  
He was not a son of the gutter, as  
some people wish to make him. They  
say he walked to Allegheny College at  
Meadville when he began his schooling  
there. This is not true. I went with  
him to that college, and Uncle William  
McKinley drove us there in a carriage.  
We visited the college together last  
year at commencement, and the Gov-  
ernor addressed the graduating class.  
They have since given him the degree  
of LL.D."

"Were you with McKinley in the  
army?" I asked.

"Yes, part of the time. We enlisted  
together. Robert V. Porter tells the  
story of our enlistment in his book. He  
describes how, after a speech about  
the war, he made up his mind to go  
as a volunteer at Poland came up and enlisted  
and how, among others, a pale, gray-  
eyed young man, not yet out of his  
teens, added his name to the list. He  
says that this young man was McKin-  
ley. This is not so. We didn't enlist.  
The company was organized as Porter  
describes and it marched away from  
Poland to Youngstown. There was a  
great excitement at that time, and  
hundreds of people followed the sol-  
diers. This was I and I were among them.  
We drove in a buggy over to Youngs-  
town and there saw the company leave  
for Columbus. On our way back to  
Poland that night we discussed the  
matter together and decided it was our  
duty to volunteer, and we thought that  
the men who stayed would be despised  
by the community."

"When we reached home Will told his  
mother what we had concluded to do,  
and she at once replied: 'Well boys, if  
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# PRASE GOD

That Blessings Still Do  
Flow.

Praise Him All Creatures Tired  
of "Blow."

Congress Adjourns and Home  
Will Go.

When it Meets Again McKinley and  
Protection Will Prevail—Closing  
Business of the Last Day  
of the Session.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TIMES.  
WASHINGTON (D. C.) June 11.—  
(Special Dispatch.) President Cleve-  
land and no longer has Congress on his  
hands, and can go fishing as soon as  
he pleases. All business of both houses  
was practically at an end last night,  
but owing to refusal of the President  
to go to the Capitol and sign bills,  
the session was prolonged until 4  
o'clock this afternoon. The present oc-  
cupant of the White House has distin-  
guished himself as being the only one  
who refused to visit the Capitol at  
such a time to expedite public busi-  
ness. During both of his terms he  
has scarcely entered the elegant rooms  
set apart for him in the Senate wing  
of the Capitol, insisting that all bills  
should be presented in time to give him  
a chance to examine them at the  
White House.

It costs the government considerable  
to pay one day's expenses for Congress  
when in session, and if the President  
had gone to the Capitol last night and  
signed the bills submitted to him, the  
adjournment at that time would have  
saved the treasury more than he has  
saved by all his vetoes of pending  
bills. No legislation was attempted to-  
day, and Congress contented itself as  
well as it could with doing nothing  
until the White House was heard from  
it was regarded as one of the dullest  
adjournments ever known. Possibly  
the absence of many of the prominent  
members at St. Louis had something  
to do with the apathy that prevailed.

FINAL SCENES.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—The final  
session of the House today was devoted  
to public interest. The appropriation  
bill had been passed, and the House  
simply waited for the end to come.  
Mr. Dawes declared the session made  
happy by the passage of some local  
bills of interest to their districts. Be-  
yond a little misunderstanding between  
the House and the Senate, the session  
of Illinois, the utmost good feeling pre-  
vailed.

There was an attempt by Mr. Bailey  
and Mr. Maguire of California to pre-  
cipitate a political discussion in the  
last half hour of the session, but the  
Republicans declined the gesture, and  
brought down to them. Mr. Turner  
of Georgia, who was the first  
leader of the Democratic party during  
the absence of Mr. Crisp, offered  
a resolution of thanks to the Speaker,  
which was adopted by a standing vote.

The Speaker closed the session with  
a graceful speech, in which he thanked  
the members most cordially and felicit-  
ated them on the work of the session.  
Vice-President Stevenson brought the  
session to a final close at 4 o'clock today,  
after a brief speech in the last of supply  
bills, that the House had passed.

Resolutions of thanks to Vice-Presi-  
dent Stevenson and to the members of  
the House for their courtesies during  
the session. The closing  
scene was not of the dramatic order,  
but was marked by a display of the  
characteristic of the upper branch of  
Congress. The galleries were well  
filled, but the members of the House  
packed corridors incident to an event-  
ful close of Congress.

The session convened at 12 o'clock,  
but no business was transacted before  
the formalities preceding an adjourn-  
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an order by the Senate to the House  
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lative day of Saturday, which continued  
from 11 o'clock Saturday until 11  
o'clock Sunday, consumed half an hour.

On motion of Mr. Dingley a resolu-  
tion was adopted for the appointment  
of a committee of three to wait upon  
the President to inform him that Con-  
gress was ready to adjourn, and to  
ascertain if he had any further com-  
munications to make. The Speaker ap-  
pointed Messrs. Dingley, Cannon, Re-  
publicans, and Mr. Sawyer, Democrat.







## (COAST RECORD.)

PREFERRED WIRE  
TO A ROPE.Craig Tries to Take  
His Life.Sensational Discovery in the  
Murderer's Cell.Is Frantic Because He Will Be  
Hanged Today.

Murder Over Water Rights on the  
Tule River—Native Daughters.  
Arson at Chico—An Odd Fel-  
low Missing.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TIMES.)

SACRAMENTO, June 11.—(Special Dispatch.) John Craig, the brutal Los Angeles murderer who is to be hanged at Folsom tomorrow, came near robbing the gallows of his victim at an early hour this morning. By some means he procured a piece of wire and plugged it into his breast, piercing his lung and missing his heart by half an inch. For some time Craig has been very morose, and those about the prison have feared a scene at the gallows. Yesterday his whole demeanor seemed to suddenly change, and he became cheerful and talkative. In the morning the death watch was set upon him, and he was removed from the condemned cell to another part of the prison where he would be out of hearing of the sound of the raising of the gallows. Arriving at this new cell, he was stripped and dressed in an entirely new suit of clothes which had previously been carefully examined. When the death watch entered the cell, he spoke to them pleasantly, and throughout the day he engaged more or less in animated conversation.

This sudden change aroused the suspicions of Warden Aull, who ordered that extra precautions be taken. At midnight, the death watch was changed, and Craig, a few minutes later asked that the light be extinguished. The watch refused to do so, and Craig pleaded with him, saying that he could not sleep. The guard informed him that it would be impossible to comply with his request, and Craig, becoming resigned, turned over against the wall and apparently went to sleep. At 4:30 o'clock this morning the relief guard called at Craig's cell, and a few minutes later the two men noticed that something was evidently wrong with their prisoner. They made an examination and found a piece of wire protruding from his breast. Realizing what had happened, the prison physician was called who removed the wire and found that, although it had penetrated to the depth of three and one-half inches, the wound was not fatal. Where Craig beat this wire in a mystery to all concerned, and the belief is that he must have had it about him for some time. The wire is such as is used around the rims of the tin cups to stiffen them, and from its appearance it had evidently been rolled into a little ball of a size so small that a man could have held it in his mouth without detection. One end of the wire was sharpened to a point as fine almost as that of a needle, and it was carefully carried out his attempt, that it would have been almost impossible to have detected him in the act.

An investigation showed that Craig, after finding that he could not have the light extinguished, had drawn his blanket up about his shoulders, and under cover of this, had straightened out the wire. He then placed the sharpened end against his breast, and the other end against the stone wall, and forced it into his breast, in the hope that it would pierce his heart. When told by the doctor that his wound was not fatal, Craig became nearly frantic. All day long he has been acting as though he were in terrible agony, which the physician declares is, for the most part, assumed. The execution will take place tomorrow at the hour set, and there is every indication that Craig will weaken at the critical moment, if he does not collapse altogether.

At noon today George Hunter and his brothers, whose sister and parents Craig murdered, arrived from Los Angeles. Sheriff John Burr and Deputy Sheriffs Barnhill and McClure also arrived, and the three men left for Folsom on the morning train to witness the execution.

**SUFFERING OR SHAMING.**  
SACRAMENTO, June 11.—Tonight an Associated Press reporter received word from the Folsom penitentiary to the effect that Craig was suffering great pain from his self-inflicted wound. It was the opinion of the prison surgeon and officials, however, that the murderer was shamming—in other words, that he was not suffering so much pain as he pretended. Craig is acting the crank, and it is expected that he will create a scene when he is led out to the gallows tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Warden Aull telephoned from the penitentiary tonight that it had not yet been ascertained where Craig got the wire.

**GOLD IN KERN COUNTY.**

A Glittering Account by George F. Weeks of Bakersfield.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—Gold in nuggets and gold in veins in such profusion and obtainable over so large an area as has never been known in all the rich and remarkable finds of California and Australia, is the substance of reports from that section of Kern county which lies a little north of due east from Mojave and about forty miles from the city.

In this desert and hilly region placer and quartz diggings are now being worked, said George F. Weeks of the Bakersfield Californian, in an interview in this city that for richness and extent exceeds anything previously recorded in the mining history of the world. The development of this region is said to have only begun, yet it is known that the auriferous deposits extend for at least twenty-five miles, east and west, while its latitudinal boundaries have not yet been defined.

At the present time there is said to be a steady influx of prospectors, including in many cases entire families. Mojave's hotel accommodations are entirely inadequate, notwithstanding that from three to four stages lead there daily full of pilgrims for the latest gold-hunters' Mecca. From fifty to one hundred people depart daily from there, say this human current has been maintained for some time. It has long been known that this re-

gion is a promising field for the prospector, and for mining operations on a large scale, but the lack of water has heretofore been an effective deterrent. This obstacle to comfortable living, as well as to profitable mining, has now been to a great extent overcome. It is true that the nearest point from the mineral belt at which water is obtainable is twelve miles, but as its use for placer mining is unnecessary, in view of the fact that "dry washing" is very successfully carried on in this region, it has been found practicable to haul a dozen barrels at a time and make two trips a day. Eventually, however, it is expected to utilize the water from the more distant mountains, and it is proposed to bore wells. For the latter purpose a well-boring plant is now on the ground, capable of drilling to a depth of 1700 feet.

One miner who had been to the diggings but a short time was seen in Bakersfield last week by Mr. Weeks. He explained that his reason for leaving was that he had found four inches long filled with gold dust and nuggets, one of the latter being worth \$80.

**REVIEWED HIS WORK.**

Detective Wood Recovered a Point at the Head Escaped Him.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The only new development in the Ashley-Baldwin sedition suit today was the effort of the plaintiff's attorney to prove that Detective Woods had testified falsely with regard to the statement made by Dr. Whitmore about the diseases he had treated Miss Ashley for. By the introduction of a telegram from the defendant, which, however, was not admitted in evidence. The witness was required to review his work for Col. Hester from the date of his employment by Attorney Redding of New York up to the time of the purchase of the \$2000 place at Pasadena. He explained that his reason for advising Col. Pope to give Miss Ashley a place at Pasadena, after making a thorough investigation into her career, was that he had up to that time been unable to find out anything derogatory to her reputation. He admitted that he had endeavored to trace her from the cradle up, but, after making his report, he was instructed to discontinue his inquiries.

This was new to the plaintiff's counsel, and he immediately proceeded to ascertain why Detective Woods had testified as he did before, but the witness parried his queries on the subject by stating that it had escaped his memory.

**PRESIDENT JORDAN HONORED.**

He is Chosen to Head the Bering Sea Commission.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—President David S. Jordan of Stanford University was today appointed president of the Bering Sea Commission, which will go to Alaskan waters on the steamer Albatross in a few days to make an exhaustive study of the seal question. The news was received in a telegram from Charles F. Hamlin, Acting Secretary of the Treasury. The Bering Sea Commission has been created by Congress to inquire fully as to the destruction of the seals now said to be going on in the Northern waters. The number and condition of the females and cubs will be thoroughly gone into; also the effect of and means employed in carrying on pelagic hunting. The influence of the regulations as to seal hunting provided by the Paris arbitration, will be particularly embraced in the inquiry. The president and his associate commissioners. The party will leave for Alaska on the steamer Albatross about June 28.

**IMPORTANT CHANGES.**

The Native Daughters Revise Their Law of Inheritance.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

NAPA, June 11.—This morning the session of the Grand Parlor of Native Daughters was devoted chiefly to considering revisions of the constitution. Many important changes were made on recommendation of the committee, which has been considering the matter ever since the last meeting of the Grand Parlor. One was that all reports of grand officers shall hereafter be made to the grand lodge instead of to the grand secretary, as heretofore. Also no new parlor shall keep a charter open more than two months. The law against electing grand officers was abolished.

An invitation to attend the Bear Flag celebration at Sonoma, Saturday, was accepted, also that from Joaquin Parlor of Stockton for the Admission day celebration.

**KILLED HIS RELATIVE.**

Bloody Tragedy Over Water Rights on Tule River.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

VISALIA, June 11.—Ben Dice, a rancher living on the Tule River, twenty miles southeast of here, killed his brother-in-law, Grant Smith, last evening. They quarreled about the water in an irrigating ditch. Dice's wife attempted to remove the dam in the ditch on Smith's place, and the latter interfered to prevent it. When Dice, who was sitting in his buggy, shot Smith a shot in the head with buckshot, killing him instantly.

Dice surrendered to the constable at Rippon, who lodged him in jail here this morning. The coroner and a stenographer have gone to hold an inquest. Dice's wife is a sister of the murdered man. Bad blood existed between the two families for some time in regard to water rights.

**HAD AN ENCOUNTER.**

John L. Price is Shot by an Angry Husband.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

FRESNO, June 11.—V. B. Fincher, a resident of this city, had an encounter today with John L. Price, a rancher of Herndon, this county, near the latter place. Shots were exchanged and Price was seriously wounded. Just before the encounter, Fincher had administered a severe castigation to Price, alleging that the latter had insulted Mrs. Fincher. Mrs. Fincher received one bullet in the shoulder blade and one in the thigh. The wounds will probably not prove fatal. Fincher surrendered himself to the authorities.

**HAD HIM CORNERED.**

SAN MIGUEL, June 11.—Mathews, Lyndon and Edson arrived on the morning train from San Luis Obispo. They interviewed Mrs. Jowney, who was here. Holbrook went to Hollister. The sheriffs with Ed Ganough, the San Miguel constable, have just left for San Marcos Creek to follow the trail. They are sure the man was Dunham and not Crowley. Constables had him cornered last night in the willows near San Marcos, and would have caught him if Lyndon and posse had stopped last night. The man was worn and tired.

**State Dental Association.**

SANTA CRUZ, June 11.—The State Dental Association this afternoon elected the following officers: President, Dr. R. H. Cool of Oakland; first vice-president, Dr. P. Metcalf of Sacramento; second vice-president, Dr. W. F. Lewis of Oakland; third vice-president, Dr. L. A. Oden of Alameda; secretary, Dr. W. Z. King of San Francisco; recording secretary, Dr. F. C. Fague of San Francisco;

treasurer, Dr. T. N. Inglehart of Alameda.

**Poll-keepers Indicted.**

SACRAMENTO, June 11.—Late this afternoon the new grand jury brought indictments against J. J. Simmons, J. A. Brown, Frank C. George, George Anderson and B. L. Taylor for alleged frauds in the conduct of the polls in the first primary election. The same men were indicted by a former grand jury but were discharged upon a technicality to haul necessary supply of water called as witnesses before the grand jury which indicted them.

**Trouble Over Wages.**

SOLOMONVILLE (Ariz.), June 11.—News from Globe announced that the mines owned and operated by the Old Dominion Mining and Smelting Company, with home office at Boston, has been closed down. This throws 250 men out of employment without warning. The reason for the shut-down is not because the enterprise was unprofitable, but is the result of trouble between the miners and superintendent two weeks ago over reduced wages.

**An Odd Fellow Disappears.**

LODI, June 11.—George W. Russell disappeared from Lodi about a week ago, and nothing has since been heard from him. His wife and family cannot give the slightest reason for his action. He has been sick for nearly a year. He is an Odd Fellow and is well-known in this vicinity.

**Disbarment Proceedings.**

BAKERSFIELD, June 11.—The disbarment proceedings against Attorney E. J. Emmons were concluded today. He has been disbarred on the charge. The case was begun some months ago. It being charged that he had defrauded a client out of \$40.

**British Warship Comed.**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—British warship Comox was spoken off San Francisco yesterday on her way from San Diego to Victoria. The Comox has been delayed by heavy weather, but reported all well on board.

**Arson at Chico.**

CHICO, June 11.—A house belonging to Mrs. Ida Fane was set on fire last night. The fire was caused by the carelessness of the property, was arrested for attempted arson.

**Lux Case Settled.**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The Lux case was settled today. Judge Hux gave E. F. Fitzpatrick \$15,000 and James Brown, special administrator, \$10,000.

**FINE WORK IN FINING.**

THRIFTY BOERS WILL CLEAR A HALF-MILLION DOLLARS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

Reform Leaders to Pay a Fine of Twenty-five Thousand Pounds Each or Be Banished for Fifteen Years—Dr. Jameson Again in Court.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

PRITORIA, June 11.—(By African Cable.) At a special meeting of the Executive Council today it was decided to release John Hays Hammond, Col. Rhodes, George Farrar and J. F. Leonard, leaders of the Johannesburg Reform Commission, upon payment of a fine of \$25,000 each, or in default thereof, fifteen years' banishment. LATER.—The reformers have paid their fines, and have gone to the Rand. Col. Rhodes declined to sign the conditions required, and the sentence of banishment will be enforced against him. VICE-CONSUL KNIGHT'S CABLEGRAM.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—United States Vice-Consul Knight at Cape Town, South Africa, cabled the State Department today as follows: Reform leaders released fine, \$25,000. No banishment." This closes the Hammond incident.

**RICHER THAN SOUTH AFRICA.**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The Chronicle says the great South African mining kings, Cecil Rhodes and Barney Barnato, have turned their attention to the newly discovered gold fields in the region lying west and southwest of Lake Kootenai, in British Columbia, just north of the international boundary line. They have sent their own expert out to investigate the prospects and report. He declares the richness of the Rossland and Trail Creek mining regions far surpasses anything that South Africa could ever have dreamed of.

This report will doubtless be followed by the investment of a large amount of capital in that section by the mining magnates, and other wealthy Englishmen who follow their lead in such enterprises.

**ALREADY RELEASED.**

LONDON, June 11.—Secretary Joseph Chamberlain has received a private telegram saying the leaders of the Johannesburg reform commission have already been released subject to fine. The dispatch adds that the conditions of release were the same as imposed upon the reformers.

Dr. Jameson and his fellow-conspirators, who took part in the raid on the Transvaal, were arraigned at Bow-street Police Court today, fresh witnesses having arrived from South Africa. Interest in the case has fallen off almost entirely. The evidence presented was upon the same lines as previously.

Among the witnesses who testified today was Lieut. Plouffe, President Kruger's nephew, who related the story of his meeting with the Jameson party.

**LET 'EM OFF CHEAPLY.**

LONDON, June 11.—All of the London papers this morning dwell upon the commercial instinct of the Boers in releasing the reformers. The Times says: "It will be a considerable addition to the flourishing revenues of the Transvaal. But after all persons engaged in the business of revolution-making must expect to pay when they lose. They might have been more prudent to fix the penalty at a lower sum and to attach greater consideration to the primary circumstance to some offender. On the whole, however, President Kruger has let off the 'little dogs' cheaply."

**CAUSED A BOOM.**

JOHANNESBURG, June 11.—The news of the release of the reform prisoners at Pretoria has caused the greatest satisfaction here. It was followed by a heavy buying on 'change and prices boomed.

**Boatman Claims Election.**

MONROE (La.), June 11.—Charles J. Boatner (Dem.) claims that he is elected in the Fifth Congressional District by between six and seven thousand. Mr. Benoit (Rep.) said in response to a question: "It is hard to determine who is elected at this time. If honestly defeated I will acquiesce cheerfully, but if investigation shows that the majority in Concordia and Tensas parishes are fictitious, I will certainly file a protest."

The President has sent the following nominations to the Senate: Capt. George Dewey to be commodore, Francis A. Cook to be captain, Lieutenant-Commander Charles F. Huchins to be commander.

METEOR FLASHES  
PAST HER RIVALSBritannia Doesn't Rule  
the Wave.Striking Victory of Emperor  
William's Boat.Yacht Race Over a Forty-two-  
Mile Course.

Big Demand for Seats at the Corbett-Sharkey Fight—Free Advice Makes a Wonderful Burst of Speed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

NETLEY (Eng.), June 11.—(By Atlantic Cable.) The Meteor, Britannia, Satanita, Alisa and Hester set out to sail the forty-two-mile course of the Royal Southampton Yacht Club today. The Meteor had the best of the start. The Meteor, Britannia, Alisa and Satanita followed in the order named. Off Cowes the Meteor led the Britannia by 10m. 5s., the Alisa, Hester and Satanita following. At Relne, the Britannia had fallen back to fourth place, the Meteor leading the Hester by 23m. Subsequently the Satanita and Hester dropped out of the race.

At Cowes, returning, the Meteor led the Alisa 33m. 50s., and the Britannia 40m. 10s. At the finish the Meteor was miles ahead of her competitors.

The Meteor finished the race at the finish line at 10m. 5s. 20. The Alisa, 18m. 44s.; Alisa, 18m. 50s. The Meteor allows the Britannia four minutes, the Alisa three, and the Satanita wins by 21m. 44s. The Britannia got second place on time allowance.

**IT IS SUPERIOR.**

LONDON, June 11.—The Yachting World and the yachtsmen agree that Emperor William's new yacht Meteor is far superior to anything on this side of the Atlantic.

**EASTERN BASEBALL.**

Boston's Lucky Hits and Cincinnati's Errors Settle a Game.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

BOSTON, June 11.—Boston won today's game by lucky hits and costly errors on the part of the Cincinnati. Boston, 9; hits, 9; errors, 3. Cincinnati, 1; hits, 5; errors, 3. Batteries—Nichols and Gansel; Dwyer and Vaughn.

**BROOKLYN-CLEVELAND.**

BROOKLYN, June 11.—This was not "Cy" Young's day, and he was hit exceptionally hard, while Daub held the pitcher's box. Young pitched thirteen true balls of indignant against the Brooklyn Nine. Four times did he go to the mound to make a home run, two doubles and a single.

Brooklyn, 6; hits, 10; errors, 2. Cleveland, 1; hits, 4; errors, 2. Batteries—Daub and Grim; Young and O'Connor.

**WASHINGTON-ST. LOUIS.**

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Donahue was wild in the second inning, forcing in a run. In the third, St. Louis for nine bases were made off him. Maul was hit freely, but had control of the ball. The attendance was 1500. Score: Washington, 12; hits, 11; errors, 2. St. Louis, 6; hits, 9; errors, 0. Batteries—Maul and McGuire; Donahue and Kirtland.

**PITTSBURGH-NEW YORK.**

NEW YORK, June 11.—The New York "Lucky seventh" proved a hoodoo to the locals today, for after two were out in that inning the Pittsburgh Pirates returned with thirteen runs and scored seven. The attendance was 3700. Score: Pittsburgh, 13; hits, 13; errors, 0. New York, 7; hits, 14; errors, 4. Batteries—Killen and Sugden; Seymour, Taylor and Grady; Frazer and Miller.

**CHICAGO-BALTIMORE.**

BALTIMORE, June 11.—"Pop" Anson's team defeated the Champions in an eleven-inning game. The attendance was 1500. Score: Baltimore, 3; hits, 14; errors, 1. Chicago, 5; hits, 12; errors, 2. Batteries—Hoffer and Clarke; Griffith and Kirtland.

**PHILADELPHIA-LOUISVILLE.**

PHILADELPHIA, June 11.—The Phillies today narrowly escaped defeat at the hands of the Louisville team, but won out in the ninth. The attendance was 3450. Score: Philadelphia, 10; hits, 13; errors, 1. Louisville, 9; hits, 12; errors, 6. Batteries—Taylor and Grady; Frazer and Miller.

**APPLICATIONS FOR SEATS.**

Admirers of Corbett and Sharkey Will Turn Out Strong.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—Applications for seats for the Corbett-Sharkey contest are pouring from all sides. There are hundreds of out-of-town admirers of the manly art anxious to see Corbett put up his hands. Stockton yesterday telegraphed for eighty-six seats altogether; San Jose has applied for forty. The management estimates that there will be at least 2000 spectators from towns contiguous to San Francisco.

The Bohemian Club possesses a number of members anxious to see the sparring event, and has an order for ninety-two seats on file. Thus far the Olympic Club has applied for but fifty seats, but it is safe to assert that there will be at least 500 Olympians present on the night of the contest.

A diagram of the seats was prepared yesterday. There are to be 800 box seats surrounding the ring at \$5 each, and 2120 raised seats at \$3 per seat, immediately back of the box seats. Standing room in the balcony will cost apiece. There has been little or no betting up to date, but a whole lot of coin will be wagered next week. Sharkey, it is said, will stand a tap on his ability to stay the four rounds, and he is now \$5000 ahead of the pugilistic game.

**NEW TURF WONDER.**

Free Advice Lowers a World's Record.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

ST. LOUIS, June 11.—The spectators at Sportsman's Park today saw Free Advice clip half a second off the world's record for seven and one-half furlongs. The track was in fine condition. Free Advice second choice. Free Advice and Nick proved to be bad actors at the post, and delayed the start twenty minutes. chinn finally caught them in line and away they went with Nick, Magnet, Free Advice and Leader Bass in the order named, with the others close up.

At the quarter pole, which was

reached in 0:15 3/4, Linda had jumped into the lead, with Magnet half a length off, Nick third, while Martin, on Free Advice, having dropped back to fourth place, was going easy. The half was reached in 0:43 1/4, with the leaders in front of Linda, who was one and a half lengths ahead of Nick, with Ramiro next, coming fast. At the stretch Free Advice was in second place, a length behind Magnet, and Martin was riding hard.

Garner, on Magnet, realizing the horse he had to beat was gaining on him fast, went to the whip. At the furlong pole Free Advice was surely and steadily getting nearer. Do what he could, Garner was not able to increase his lead, and about twenty feet from the wire Free Advice was on even terms and succeeded in winning by a short head in a terrific drive from one of the gamest horses on the turf. Ramiro was third; time, 1:35 3/4.

**American Horse Exchange Burned.**

NEW YORK, June 11.—Fire destroyed the building of the American Horse Exchange, which occupied nearly the entire block bounded by Broadway, Seventh avenue, Fifth and Fifty-first streets tonight. Many valuable horses perished in the flames, and an unconfirmed rumor has it that one man lost his life. One hundred fine carriages also burned. The value of the property consumed is estimated at \$200,000. Among the horses destroyed was Elsie G., a valuable trotting horse worth \$7500, with a record of 2:19 1/2.

**Galveston Cycle Meet.**

GALVESTON, (Tex.), June 11.—The second day of the Galveston cycle meet was an immense success. Today was the last of the L.A.W. meet for national circuit riders and a large crowd was present.

One mile, professional: Arthur Gardner won, O. L. Stevens, second, McFarland, third; time 2:50. Half a mile, professional: Otto Ziegler won, O. L. Stevens, second, Will Coburn third; time 1:05.

**Bid in His Own Colt.**

CINCINNATI, June 11.—T. P. Hays had his \$10,000 colt, Rondo, in the stakes today, entered for \$1250. Rondo won easily. As soon as the horses finished several well-known owners gathered around the judges' stand and the bidding began. The first price offered was \$1500, after some lively bidding he was knocked down to the owner for \$5000.

**George Card's World's Time.**

DENVER, June 11.—George Card closed the day of the world's record for the amateur paced mile today. The actual time (unofficial) was 1:43 2/5; the record being 1:50 2/5. The world's record of 1:32 2/5 for the two-thirds miles was also smashed. Card's time being 1:12. He was paced by a sextuplet.

**Overland Park.**

DENVER (Colo.), June 11.—Trotting, \$300, 230 class: Belvidere, Jr. won, Bergmont, second, Lone Star State third; best time, 2:22. Trotting, \$300, 240 class: Evadne won, B. B. Hill second, Roy W. third; best time 2:21.

**Thirteen Bills of Indictment.**

CAMDEN, (N. J.) June 11.—The grand jury today returned thirteen true bills of indictment against City Treasurer Michelson, six for embezzlement and seven for malfeasance in office.

**Continuous Pool.**

NEW YORK, June 11.—The first of the series of continuous pool games for deciding the championship of the world began here tonight between De Oro and Grant Eby. Score: De Oro, 211; Eby, 187.

**Rich in Saloons.**

(San Francisco Correspondence of New York Tribune.) San Francisco last year outranked any city of its size in the number of its saloons, having 6839. This year the revenue reports show that the saloons have increased so that there are now a trifle over 7000, or one saloon for every fifty persons in the city. The liquor license is low, and new saloons are being constantly opened, as no business promises better. Nearly all the corner groceries sell beer and liquors, and the rule is that these places keep open until midnight. The result is that they are the greatest source of misery among workingmen's families, even outside the tenement districts, for the men spend their evenings and most of their wages in the grocery barroom. The increase in all revenue over last year was \$500,000, the total being over \$2,000,000.

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## THE WEATHER.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles.  
June 11.—At 5 a.m., the barometer registered 30.1; 1 p.m., 29.8. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 64 deg. and 85 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 60 per cent.; 5 p.m., 25 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., north, velocity, 1 mile; 5 p.m., east, velocity, 5 miles. Character of weather, 5 a.m., clear; 5 p.m., clear. Maximum temperature, 85 deg.; minimum temperature, 63 deg.  
Barometer reduced to sea level.

## The Games

## ALL ALONG THE LINE.

Celebrating one's birthday in this country with a barbecue and dance, in which the entire neighborhood is expected to participate, is, indeed, a novelty. Arrangements for such a celebration are being made in Orange county.

From the dissenting opinion of two Justices of the Supreme Court it would appear that to a Los Angeles court belongs the honor of first officially declaring the Southern Pacific Railroad's right to a government patent upon certain lands has lapsed and contracts with locators are no longer in effective force.

Owing to the large amount of vegetable matter in the city water of San Diego, which makes murky the water, the city has decided to install a water filtration plant. It is proposed to furnish clear water by pumping it from the San Diego River.

Great Chicago and the Superior Court of Cook county should now conclude that they are not "in it" in the Pacific West, especially in California. The Supreme Court of this State has upheld the decision of a Los Angeles court in declaring that Illinois has no standing in the California courts as litigants. An Illinois statute may cover that State and even Chicago, but it will have to go further west than California to become operative.

The deadly trolley wire spares not even the birds of the air. A Southern California feathered songster was noticed recently to alight on a live trolley wire. The innocent bird placed one foot on the cross-wire supporting the main wire, and was about to lift up its voice in joyous song. The notes of happiness stuck in its throat. It fell to the ground dead. In some way or other the deadly electric current had been through the songster's body, and the feathered soul took its flight.

Deep and loud complaints have been made, of late, with regard to the condition of the gutters on the paved streets of the city. These gutters have reeked with filth, and fostered with rotteness undisturbed by the municipal administration, until the Health Officer called the attention of the Council to their condition. The Street Superintendent has concocted a plan and submitted the same to the Council for its approval. The plan appears to have the advantages of economy and thoroughness, and will, doubtless, be carried out by the Council.

The Times carrier-pigeon service from Catalina has been reestablished for the summer. When the news from Avalon has to be sent by mail, it is necessary to send the budget off early in the morning. When sent by homing pigeons it need not be sent till late in the afternoon, and occupies far less time in transmission than by the post. Yesterday's steamer for Avalon carried thirty-four pigeons out from shore. When but a little way out at sea thirty of the birds were liberated. These birds are still in training, and it was thought best not to have them attempt the longer flight. Yesterday afternoon the Catalina letter, closely typewritten on the thinnest of tissue paper, was fastened to the leg of the pigeon Orizaba, and this bird, with three companions, was set free. The homers quickly winged their way back to the city, about forty miles of sea and land, to the home loft, the message was removed, and this letter appears in another column.

## PERSONALS.

J. P. Dives and wife of Oakland are guests of the Hollenbeck.  
G. W. Pritchard of Providence, R. I., is registered at the Hollenbeck.  
H. C. Gilbert of this city is at the Grand Union Hotel in New York.  
Henry Walters of Brooklyn, N. Y., is registered at the Westminster.  
Edward McKay and wife of Sacramento are registered at the Nadeau.  
A. P. Irving and wife of Washington, D. C., are at the Hotel Vincent.  
George E. Dovey and wife of Plattsburgh, N. Y., are registered at the Westminster.  
W. H. Wyman and W. R. Milligan of Toronto, Can., are guests of the Westminster.  
Judge W. L. Pierce of the Superior Court of San Diego county, is at the Hollenbeck.  
Edwin P. Owens and family of Albuquerque, N. M., are staying at the Hotel Vincent.  
Dr. F. C. Remondino, member of the State Board of Health, is registered at the Hollenbeck from San Diego.  
H. J. Hamilton, Miss Jessie Hamilton and Miss Nora Lavine of Topeka, Kan., are guests of the Hotel Vincent.  
J. M. Dodge, clerk of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego county, and manager of the City Brass Band, is a guest of the Nadeau.  
H. Graen and wife, Orchard Lake, Mich.; M. W. Van Dirk, Phoenix; J. T. Brown and wife, Mrs. J. D. Mathes, Mrs. R. H. Redley, Needles; are at the Nadeau.  
George Q. Crawford, Tulare; B. C. Burbank, Hopewell; Dr. E. Chas. Barrymore, London, Eng.; P. Grey, Danvers; Clarence Whiting, New York, are at the Ramona.  
William C. Hallborn of Seattle, a brother of the late Hon. George H. Hallborn, editor-in-chief of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, left yesterday on a business trip to that city. Mr. Hallborn has made some investments here, and will return about July 1 and make Los Angeles his home.  
John T. Williams and bride, nee Miss Elizabeth Scarlott of Ventura, were in the city yesterday, and will visit Mr. Lowe and Catalina Island during their honeymoon. Mr. Williams is an attorney, and a nephew of Assistant District Attorney Williams of this city.  
Stole the Lunch.  
Louis de Soto, John Ellis, Willie Collins and Henry Red, four tough boys, were arrested by Officer Robbins at Ninth street and the river yesterday for stealing some lunch from a school-house.

## TWO BABIES CREMATED.

## CHILDREN PLAY WITH MATCHES WITH FATAL RESULTS.

Mrs. Bickford's Daughters Burned to a Crisp Before Her Eyes—Three Bars Destroyed by the Flames. Dreadful Cost of Play.

Two little girls were burned to death before their mother's eyes in the rear of 912 Date street shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Three bars were destroyed by fire, with their contents, entailing a loss of \$875.

The children who met death in the flames were Hazel and Viola Bickford, aged 4 and 3 years respectively. Daughters of C. J. Bickford, a hay dealer who lives at No. 912 Date street. Yesterday afternoon the two little girls and their brother Frank went into the barn of George Sheppard in the rear of the house to play.

Hazel had a number of matches, with which she was playing. She climbed up to the loft of the barn, while Frank and Viola remained downstairs. Hazel lighted some of the matches and dropped one of them on the floor, which was scattered over with wisps of hay. Instantly the inflammable stuff was ablaze and the little girl was enveloped in flames.

Frank ran screaming to the house and told his mother of the fire. Mrs. Bickford ran hastily toward the barn, but she was unable to get out of it. In a frantic effort to save her babies, Mrs. Bickford rushed close to the burning building, but was repelled by the fierce flames.

The despairing shrieks of the two doctored children echoed in the frenzied mother's ears and goaded her to desperation. She rushed toward the door of the barn and her face and arms were severely burned, but she could not get in to save the little ones.

In the meantime a boy had gone to turn in an alarm, and Sergeant Morton also turned in an alarm from box 61.

People flocked to the scene by the hundreds and efforts were made to rescue the children, but the flames were so fierce that it was impossible to get near the burning building. Mrs. Bickford, who was watching the fire, screamed that she saw the body of Hazel fall through the burning floor and fall fainting to the ground. Mrs. Bickford was cradled with grief and ran about tearing her hair and moaning piteously until taken into the house by neighbors, who did their best to comfort her and dressed her burns.

The flames, fanned by a strong breeze, spread south to the large barn of Rodriguez, Howard & Co., in the rear of No. 914 Date street, and soon it was blazing from top to bottom. In the barn was stored five tons of hay, and it burned like tinder. The flames then spread across a vacant lot to the barn of Henry Putnam in the rear of No. 922 Date street, and it was almost consumed. The fire department had arrived promptly after receiving the alarm, but the fire, favored by atmospheric conditions and the inflammable nature of the buildings, had gained to great a headway to be easily subdued. The firemen devoted all their efforts to controlling the flames and preventing them from spreading and soon had the fire under control. The Sheppard barn was burned to the ground and nothing but a huge pile of hot and smoking embers remained to mark the tomb of the Bickford children.

The odor of the fire emanated a nauseating odor of burning flesh and from under a smoldering pile of boards protruded the charred bones and skull of one of the unfortunate children. In order to preserve the bodies as much as possible Chief Moore ordered that a fireman, lifted the rubbish from over the bodies of the children and picked them up and placed them in a tin washtub. The sickening spectacle was viewed by hundreds of people, and many on one shed tears at the heart-rending scene.

The following were the names of the children: George Sheppard, born, 1900; Rodriguez, Howard & Co., \$450 on barn and \$50 on hay; Henry Putnam, born, 1900. In addition to the above a carriage belonging to George Sheppard, valued at \$75, was destroyed, and several sheds between the barn and houses were damaged slightly.

## POLICE COURT NOTES.

## Trio of Young Thieves Punished by Justice Morrison.

A trio of street gamblers stood before Justice Morrison yesterday, charged with petty larceny. Early yesterday morning Officer Shand saw them take some bottles from Henry J. A. Stuh's saloon, and run down First street. Shand started in pursuit, but the gamblers were fleet of foot and were fast escaping when Officer Shields started after them from the corner of First and Main streets, and after running them to Second and Los Angeles streets, captured two of them. The third one got away, but was caught half an hour later by Shields at Justice Morrison's residence. Finley and Tilden to serve twenty days each, but suspended sentence. Powers was discharged.

Willie Smith and Thomas McIntyre were before Justice Morrison, charged with burglary, and their examination was set for today. Both are charged with robbing Pemberton's luncheon at Third and Los Angeles streets last Sunday night.

Al Holway, who, in company with a number of others, was charged with battery, was discharged by Justice Owens yesterday.

James Clearwater and J. N. Burch were before Justice Morrison on a charge of disturbing the peace, and their trial was set for June 15. Joe Lopez will be tried on a similar charge June 17.

Toney Baxter was found guilty of embezzlement, and will be sentenced tomorrow by Justice Morrison.

John Kelley, charged with assaulting a Chinaman, will be examined on June 17.

## A SCIENTIFIC RECEPTION.

## Microscopical Exhibit by the Academy of Sciences.

Last evening saw the hall of the Friday Morning Club decked out with tables upon which were placed many cases of rare butterflies, and a glittering array of microscopes, twenty in all. The butterflies were collected from nearly every country in the world, and appeared in every size and color, from the tiny moth in quaker garb, to the gorgeous creature with wings like burnished steel of Damascus. This display was supplemented by a case of beetles and dragon-flies, and by many mineralogical specimens, piled on the tables around the cases. Upon the slides of the microscopes were all sorts of minute and interesting things, and applied to the lenses were the eyes of many lovers of the wonderful in nature and science. It was the reception and microscopical exhibit of the Southern California Academy of Sciences, and about two hundred guests had gathered to hear the reports from the several branches of the association and to see the many

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curious and beautiful things displayed under the microscopes.

As one of the speakers, Prof. E. H. Griffith, was detained, the first half-hour was devoted to a social session of the meeting, in the hope that Prof. Griffith would finally materialize. That he did not was a source of regret to many, as his speech was to have been an explanation of the microscopic display.

Prof. William H. Knight, president of the Academy of Sciences, finally rose and announced that the association had been augmented by twenty-two new members, whose formal admission into the society was moved, and carried as soon as the list of names had been read. The new members are:

Messrs.—  
A. Holman, Miss Maud Ayer,  
R. Herman,  
Messrs.—  
J. G. Cross,  
W. R. Bentley,  
F. O. Yost, G. Herriman,  
H. Sturdevant, F. L. Washburn,  
J. Scott, H. J. Goudge,  
E. L. Loy, H. Hamlin,  
M. M. Grigg, H. Warren.

After this announcement a report of the last meeting of the Astronomical Section was made by its chairman, B. R. Baumgardt. The meeting took place on June 6, and was held at the observatory on Echo Mountain. Over one hundred members were present to scan the heavens through the great telescope, and a few stayed up all night to observe Mars and Venus without the aid of the instrument.

Dr. A. Davidson represented the Botanical Section in a brief speech, which told of the good work done by those interested in that branch of science. Over one thousand species of plants are credited to Los Angeles county alone in the collections made by this society. Dr. Davidson put in a plea for the large trees, and requested that measurements be taken of those remaining in the country, that data may be furnished for future use.

A brief speech was made by W. L. Watts, the well-known geologist, who spoke cordially of the good work of the academy in cultivating a closer acquaintance between humanity and its environment. W. S. Creighton then rose and wandered into the realm of metaphysics, speaking at length upon the whyness of the thus, and Dr. E. A. Fraeger followed with a few remarks which were supplemented by Dr. Remondino of San Diego.

Bishop Montgomery was next called upon, and made a short but interesting speech upon the relation between religion and science, as being the two great manifestations of God, through natural and supernatural means, which being parts of one great truth, must ever be harmonious. The bishop spoke cordially of the good work being done by the Academy of Sciences, and expressed his full belief that the day would come in which men would be drawn to religion by science, as they found that God was the great substratum underlying both.

After the addresses, the audience became again the guests at a reception, and gathered around the refreshment tables, where the huge bowls of punch and lemonade, so refreshing on the hot evening, were presided over by Mrs. Baumgardt and Miss Florence Blackman.

Letter from Craig.

George S. Phibbs, attorney for Craig, the murderer, who is to be executed at Folsom today, yesterday received a letter from him, in which he says he is innocent of the murder of his wife, and is sorry he must hang for that crime. The attorney also received a telegram from the Governor's secretary, saying the Governor had refused to grant Craig a respite.

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on Tuesday previous to the trial, which she had urged him to do. In this power in the defense, he said, he was acquitted. He would pay for all expenses incurred by the trial, but if found guilty she would wash her hands of the matter and pay a cent.

United States Attorney George S. Denis testified in Brooks' behalf, said the cause was turned over to him and he considered the defense was conducted, although at the time he doubted the wisdom of submitting the jury without argument. When Mr. Denis was asked who would consider a reasonable fee for conducting the cause in the manner



consideration the wealth of the defendant Smith's relatives and their direct descent from Revolutionary war. "I would consider \$10,000 a reasonable fee, and have given Mr. Brooks a written certificate to that effect," he said.

This suit revives the horror with which young Neale's foul murder at sea was received in San Diego and the desperate fight made by Capt. Hunt to save his old friend, Capt. Smith, the long imprisonment of the latter pending trial from December 1892 to December 1893, and his subsequent acquittal on the plea of insanity.

Capt. Smith, a defendant in that terrible tragedy, is said to be back in San Diego, playing his old vocation of fishing and importing guano.

Attorney Brooks declares that had it not been for the intervention of Frank Semple, Mrs. Shaw would have paid the counsel fee.

George Neale, the father of the murdered boy, is a deputy county clerk in San Diego county, and the most expert court stenographers in the State.

#### THREE NEW DIVORCES.

**McKenzie, Golden and Andrews Families Secure Separation.**

A. M. McKenzie was granted a divorce from Mrs. M. H. McKenzie in Judge Smith's department yesterday, by default, on the grounds of desertion.

Mrs. M. H. Golden was granted a divorce from W. H. Golden, in Judge Smith's court yesterday, on the grounds of failure to provide.

C. J. Andrews was granted a divorce from his wife, L. Andrews, in Judge Shaw's court yesterday, on the grounds of desertion.

#### ADDITIONAL BURDEN.

**An Ordinary Steam Railway Has Objectionable Features.**

Judge Shaw handed down the following opinion yesterday in the suit of O'Connor against the Southern Pacific Railroad, which is of public interest in relation to the occupation of streets, roads and private property by a steam railway:

"The only important point in this case is the question whether or not the main tenance and operation of an ordinary steam railway along a public road or street is an additional burden upon the land, a use to which the land was not put when he made the dedication of the land as a public highway, or is not a legitimate use of the highway as such."

"In the case of Morgan vs. Southern Pacific Railway Company, decided in an opinion rendered March 14, 1895, in the case of the same parties, the same question was involved and was decided in the affirmative, that is to say, that such a railway does constitute an additional burden on the land."

"That case was decided after careful consideration and upon a thorough examination of the decisions on the subject in all the states of the Union. Further reflection on the subject has served to confirm my mind in the conclusions reached in that opinion. I am now referred to the decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois since the case above mentioned was decided, which decisions, it is claimed, are to the effect that such a railway is not an additional burden. An examination of those cases leaves me in doubt as to the reason why the defendant has cited them. The case of the Illinois case, that case is the only one of it bearing directly on the question."

"The permission to a street railway company to lay its tracks on a street already appropriated to public use is not the grant of the right to appropriate an additional easement in the soil of the street; but the construction of the street railroad is merely a mode of facilitating existing travel. The street car carries along the street such passengers as would otherwise be obliged to pass over it on foot or in other vehicles, and therefore the burden imposed upon the land under the street is the same as was imposed when it was first laid out. It is finally imposed on it when the street was opened. A steam railway, as ordinarily operated, adds a new servitude to the street, but it prevents the use of the street in the usual modes, and interferes with and embarrasses the usual modes of travel; whereas, the ordinary street car, by relieving the pressure of local travel."

"This seems to me to be a very clear statement of the doctrine opposed to the theory of the defendant, and of the reasons on which that doctrine is founded, and it is good authority for the plaintiff. It is in harmony with all previous decisions in that State, where it has always been held that such a steam railway was an additional burden, and that where the abutting owner owned the fee in the land occupied by the street he could maintain an action for injunction to restrain the construction of the railroad until he had been compensated for his property taken and damaged by the proposed road. In the present case the plaintiff owns the fee and the case is directly in point in his favor."

"The plaintiff is therefore entitled to an injunction as prayed for, and judgment will be rendered accordingly."

#### NEW COYNE TRIAL.

**It May Be Granted-Conley Is Touched Criminal Review.**

In the case of the people vs. James Harrison, draft of a bill of exceptions was referred to the District Attorney yesterday for amendments. This proceeding was had in Department One. Harrison is charged with burglary.

Judge Smith made an order yesterday reducing the bill of G. W. Culion to \$100.

In regard to the motion of Harry Coyne, the detective, for a new trial, a certificate of probable cause was granted by Judge Smith yesterday.

John Conley's bill of exceptions was ordered stricken from the files in Judge Smith's court yesterday, the time having expired by statute limitation. Conley is a professional burglar.

#### THE ACCOUNTS BALANCED.

An action was in progress before Justice Young yesterday whereby F. J. Osborne sought to recover \$50.40 from Doherty & Connelley, claiming the cost of seventy-two barrels of crude oil. The delivery to the defendants was alleged to have been made by Osborne & Stoll, and the transfer by this firm made to F. J. Osborne. The judgment of the court was that another party owned the oil, and a bill of Doherty & Connelley against Osborne & Stoll, and hence the findings are for defendants.

#### A COSTLY DISTURBANCE.

Domingo Nunes was brought in from Wilmington yesterday by Constable Mathew, under sentence from Justice Court imposing a fine of \$150 or 150 days in the County Jail. He was convicted upon the charge of disturbing the peace.

#### THE EDWARDS LIE.

Waldeman Tarp vs. Hanibal Edwards was the title of a mechanics' lien suit in progress before Judge Clark yesterday, through which the plaintiff seeks to recover \$1200 for labor alleged to have been done upon the brick building at the corner of Main and Fifth streets. The trial closed in the afternoon, and the case will be submitted to the jury for decision.

#### FRANKE PLEADS GUILTY.

James Franke, charged with embezzling dry goods from the Smith store in this city, pleaded guilty in Judge Smith's court yesterday, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$200, or in default, to pass 100 days in the County Jail. The defendant has a sick wife, is a respectable looking man and expects a remittance from Scotland to make his fine.

#### A SMALL CLAIM.

Benjamin Walton has filed an action against A. P. Cross to recover an alleged indebtedness of \$339.21.

#### JUDGMENT QUIETING TITLE.

In the action of J. O. Enell against A. O. King and others to quiet title, a decree was granted yesterday in Judge Smith's court.

#### MAY SELL PROPERTY.

In the action of K. See vs. L. C. Jane, a motion to sell property was granted in Department Five yesterday.

#### THE PLEASANTON FURNITURE.

In the suit of Mrs. M. H. Finney against Mrs. B. Myers and others, to recover a chattel mortgage on the furniture in the Pleasanton Hotel, and for the recovery of \$2100, judgment was granted yesterday in Judge McKimley's court.

#### GRAHAM AWARDED PROPERTY.

The petition of J. B. Graham, an insolvent, to set aside certain property, was granted by Judge Shaw yesterday.

#### JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANTS.

In the action of Buchanan against Halpenny and others, judgment was entered for defendants in Department Five yesterday.

#### HEAVY DAMAGES ALLEGED.

The action of the Southern California Railway Company against Charles Legge, Alice Hoffman and others, in condemnation proceedings, is in progress before Judge York and a jury. The land in question is situated at Pasadena and the defendants in their answer declare the damages that will result therefrom aggregate \$6000.

#### NEW CITIZENS.

William Bain, a native of Scotland, was admitted to citizenship in Judge Van Dyke's court yesterday.

#### AN ALFALFA SUIT.

Henry Sherer has begun suit against W. D. and J. L. Spencer to recover \$600 and costs of suit, by reason of an alleged failure to carry out a certain agreement in regard to forty acres seeded to alfalfa.

#### AN IMPORTANT SUIT.

J. P. Agnew has filed suit in foreclosure proceedings directed to Florence Davin, Marie Davin, Francis Julien, Marie Julien, Leon Escalier, Rosalie Riball, executrix of the last will and testament of Jacques Riball, deceased, to recover \$232.75, with interest at the rate of 12 1/2 per cent. per annum from February 3, 1895, for the sum of \$270.75 expended for taxes and \$500 attorneys' fees, and for foreclosure of mortgage upon a large number of lots in Julien & Davin's subdivision in Hancock's survey, city of Los Angeles.

#### BOYLE HEIGHTS FORECLOSURE.

H. H. Cobb has instituted proceedings against H. H. Cobb, administrator of the estate of Miguel Gutierrez, deceased, to recover \$250 and interest and for foreclosure of mortgage upon lot 10, block D, in Boyle Heights, Moore & Hancock's survey.

#### SUIT TO QUIET TITLE.

Annette Thaxter has brought suit against H. H. Cobb to quiet title to the northeast quarter of section 28, township 2 south, range 13 west.

#### NORWALK FORECLOSURE.

Jacob Swigart has filed an action against T. L. Lumbard, Ida B. Lumbard and E. R. Goldthwait to recover \$947.50 and costs and for foreclosure upon the property in Norwalk, and the plaintiff's attorney, Messrs. Lumbard and Goldthwait, residing thereon.

#### WEYMOUTH IS INSOLVENT.

E. D. Weymouth, who has been conducting the business of car-repairing in this city, has filed a petition in insolvency. Liabilities, \$1000; assets, none.

#### FELLED THE TREE.

Dr. J. B. Bolton has brought suit against Nannie B. Westerfield for \$200 damages alleged to have been sustained by the defendant cutting down one of the doctor's big shade trees. Dr. Bolton testified against Mrs. Westerfield in the Record last week. Among other things, Dr. Bolton claims the defendant sent her ax through mail.

#### HORTICULTURAL HEADQUARTERS.

President Ellwood Cooper announces that the California State Board of Horticulture has moved its offices from San Francisco to more commodious apartments in the State Capitol building, at Sacramento, to which place all the horticultural exhibits after the date addressed. A branch office has been established in San Francisco, on the second floor of the Chief Wharfinger's building, Clay-street Dock, with Alexander Crow, Quarantine Officer, in charge.

#### LAUNCHING DEFENDER, JR., AT REDONDO, SUNDAY, JUNE 14.

The new racing yacht Defender, Jr., will be launched into the water at Redondo, the first event of the kind at this resort. The boat will be launched at 10 a.m. on Sunday, June 14, and will be sailed by the owner, Mr. J. B. Bolton. The boat is a 30-foot sloop, built by the Redondo Yacht Club, and will be sailed by the owner, Mr. J. B. Bolton. The boat is a 30-foot sloop, built by the Redondo Yacht Club, and will be sailed by the owner, Mr. J. B. Bolton.

#### THE SUPREME COURT.

##### TWO IMPORTANT DECISIONS AFFIRMED IN DEPARTMENT TWO.

##### A DISSENTION BY TWO JUSTICES IN THE PACIFIC RAILWAY LITIGATION.

The Supreme Court, in bank, has handed down an opinion in Department Two, in the action of the Southern Pacific Railway Company vs. Painter, an administrator, etc., respondent.

The plaintiff entered into the several contracts with the defendant's intestate, August 15, 1887, for the sale to the latter of two certain sections of land, in the county of Los Angeles. The land in question was claimed by the railroad as a portion of a grant to it by the United States, by virtue of the act of March 3, 1871. At the time of the agreement no patent had been issued therefor, and each of the agreements contained the following covenant: "In case the said land should be finally determined to be the property of the first party, for all or any of the tracts herein described, it will, upon the death of the intestate, be conveyed to the party of the second part all moneys that may have been paid to it by him on account of any such tract as it shall fall to procure patents for."

The defendant's intestate paid to the plaintiff 20 per cent. of the purchase money, with one year's interest upon the remainder, and the plaintiff, by the agreement, and by the terms of agreement was to pay the balance on or before August 15, 1892. No other party having been named, the plaintiff, after the maturity of the agreement, brought the present action to compel their performance, and for foreclosure of defendant's rights therein. The defendant, in answer to the complaint, denied all liability, and pleaded as a counter-claim that above named tract of land it had been finally determined that the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company by the act of July 7, 1886, and to the plaintiff company of March 3, 1871, was not entitled to patent said lands, and rendered judgment for the defendant upon his counter-claim.

The plaintiff railway company appealed from this decision, and the Supreme Court affirms the decision of the lower court. The opinion is rendered by Justice Harrison, and concurred in by Justices Garoutte, Temple and Henshaw.

A dissenting opinion is rendered by Justice Van Fleet and concurred in by Justices McFarland, O'Brien and Rued. These Justices to the findings that plaintiff will not be able to perform its agreement, for the reason that it has no title in the lands in question and in the premises. The title of plaintiff's title, in a general sense, is wholly irrelevant. Plaintiff contracted to convey, not the title it had nor a title to be pronounced by a court, but such title as the United States should thereafter convey by its patent. The contract was to remain in force until it should be finally determined that title should not issue. That determination can be made only by some competent tribunal of the United States; and it is not for a court of this State to say, in an action like the present, how that question will or should be determined. For these reasons the order should be reversed and the cause remanded for a new trial.

#### PACIFIC RAILWAY CASE.

The Supreme Court, sitting in bank, has also handed down an opinion in the action of Edward W. Russell, plaintiff and appellant, vs. Pacific Railway Company, et al., defendants and respondents; Cobb vs. B. H. Intervenor and appellants, the court finds that the intervenors have no standing in the case, and that the laws of Illinois having no application for said intervenors, the decision of the lower court is affirmed.

The plaintiff brings this action as a judgment creditor of the Pacific Railway Company in his own behalf and for other creditors of the corporate defendant. The plaintiff claims that the defendant failed to pay him a certain sum of money for the sale of its property and that the sum due from stockholders of the Pacific Railway Company, on their stock so far as necessary may be called in. Numerous stockholders of the Pacific Railway Company are made defendants.

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#### SWEET GIRL GRADUATES.

##### Class Day Exercises at Miss Marsh's School.

Yesterday was a great day for the boys of young Marsh's school, the class of '96 at Miss Marsh's school, for in the afternoon all the friends and relatives of the pretty maids who have chosen the sounding motto "Ad Astra per Aspera" to represent the aspirations of the class, gathered to judge how far they had advanced on the journey to the stars. Judging by the excellence of the programme given, the audience should have been fully satisfied with the progress made by these young wayfarers along their chosen road, for the papers and essays showed thought and originality as well as graceful expression. The musical part of the programme told of talent well trained.

In the drawing-room was an exhibition of the paintings of Miss Fannie E. Duval, the art teacher of the school. The collection was of great interest to the art-lovers among the guests, and is open to the friends of the school today.

The large assembly-room was decorated for the occasion with a bank of white flowers relieved here and there by the flaming spikes of the crocus gladioli. The low platform, especially, was a mass of flowers, which made an effective setting for the bright faces and light dresses of the young girls who stood there.

#### BOSTON DRY GOODS STORE

##### "The Best Is the Cheapest"

239 South Broadway, Opp. City Hall.

##### Wash Dress Fabrics.

##### Imported Goods.

Fancy Lappets, regular price 85c; sale price, the yard, 15c.  
Fancy Striped Lappets, regular price 40c; sale price, the yard, 20c.  
Fancy Figured Crepons, regular price 60c; sale price, the yard, 25c.  
White Pique Colored Figures, regular price 75c; sale price, the yard, 40c.  
Dresden Figured Pique, regular price \$1.10; sale price, the yard, 50c.  
Fancy Check Pique, regular price \$1.25; sale price, the yard, 60c.  
Colored Embroidered Pique, regular price \$1.75; sale price, the yard, 75c.

##### Ladies' Underwear.

The goods in this department have been subject to the same general overhauling as all the other stocks, and it has resulted in the lowest prices ever offered on the same quality of goods.

##### Silk Waists.

Every Silk Waist in the store at proportionate reductions.

##### Exceptional Values in Every Department

##### Infants' Long Dresses.

\$1.50 Infants' Dresses now \$1.00  
\$2.00 Infants' Dresses now \$1.50  
\$3.00 Infants' Dresses now \$2.00  
\$5.00 Infants' Dresses now \$3.00

##### Linen Department.

The following eloquent prices need no comment:

72-inch Cream Table Damask, regular price 60c; sale price, per yard, 45c.  
18x36 Unbleached Turkish Towels, regular price 10c; sale price, each, 7c.  
Extra Long Satin Damask Towels, regular price 50c; sale price, each, 25c.  
Eccu Center Pieces, regular price 80c; sale price each, 12c.  
Cream Table Damask, regular price 40c; sale price, each, 25c.

##### Laces.

A few hints of the enormous price reductions:

1.00 and \$1.25 Oriental Laces; now 50c.  
30c and 35c Oriental Laces; now 20c.  
18c to 25c Oriental Laces; now 12c.  
8c to 10c Oriental Laces; now 4c.  
12c to 15c Oriental Laces; now 6c.  
50c Cream and White Chantilly Laces; now 30c.  
\$1.50 and \$1.75 Cream and White Chantilly Laces; now \$1.00.  
\$1.25 Cream and White Chantilly Laces; now 60c.  
75c Cream and White Chantilly Laces; now 40c.

##### THE GREAT REORGANIZATION SALE

##### CLOSING EXERCISES.

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##### SANTA MONICA JUSTICE.

##### Oliver Was Thrown into Jail for Fifty Days.

John Oliver, about 35 years of age, was brought to the County Jail last evening from Santa Monica, under sentence from Justice Wells's court for fifty days' confinement upon a charge of petty larceny.

Oliver was seedy and looked as if he had been having a tough time at Santa Monica. He was accompanied by his nephew, a barefoot boy of 15 years, who is also charged with petty larceny.

Oliver was formerly an upholsterer of this city and says he lived here continuously for twelve years and up to the time of his arrest. He was charged with petty larceny because he could get no work here, and has been performing ordinary labor there, such as whitewashing, painting and any odd jobs that he could find.

Oliver has a wife and three children, and declares that the evening the terrible crime was committed, he had been far up the beach with the team and his nephew, and when they were returning at about 8 o'clock in the evening, with another party in the wagon, he passed by the Simmons ranch, which lies along the public road and is not enclosed. Seated in the wagon was a large amount of hay. The young fellow riding with them jumped out of the wagon and ran near the roadside, and picking up a small expression, he entered the ranch.

At this moment S. R. Cripe called out to them and they waited for him to come up. He placed Oliver under arrest, and the defendant, declares, charged him with petty larceny in having stolen twenty pounds of hay, valued at fifty cents.

The defendant says he told the man he was willing to pay for the hay, but that was not satisfactory. He says of course the little arm load of hay was placed in his wagon and in Justice Court he pleaded guilty and was sentenced as above. He further declares that when he attempted to question Cripe, the Justice ordered him to speak under penalty of a fine for contempt of court. The further charge is made that the clerk threatened to send the boy to the Whittier Reform School if he did not divulge the name of the third party in the wagon. The boy looks truthful and declares he does not know anything regarding the name or whereabouts of the other boy. Oliver also impresses one favorably.

##### Builder's Hardware.

Complete stock, lowest prices, Russell-Erwin steel lock. 121-123 North Spring street.

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## HOUSE AND LOT.

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## Main-street Paving—North Broadway—A Country Sale.

The real estate market continues without any features of particular interest and business is confined to routine work. It is not expected that there will be any marked revival of trade until after the summer is over, but from all indications the coming fall and winter will be about the liveliest, as far as real estate is concerned, that has been seen since the winter of 1888.

**NORTH BROADWAY.**  
There are rumors that a capitalist of this city is thinking of acquiring the northwest corner of Broadway and First streets, together with an adjacent lot, for the purpose of erecting a large block there. It is a prominent corner and a business block should be a paying investment. The lots will soon have to be called attention to the relative cheapness of property on North Broadway as compared with other business property within city limits. The business center. Before long some shrewd investor will pick up some of this frontage and make a moderate fortune out of it. The trouble is that the ordinary investor seldom appreciates a bargain until half the town is running after it. Then the price goes up and it is a bargain no longer.

**A COUNTRY SALE.**  
An auction of country property is to be held on Saturday at Howard Summit, on the Redondo railroad, about six miles from the city limits. The land comprises 200 acres at that point. The agents who have charge of the sale give the assurance that the property is well adapted to go for what it will bring, that is to say, provided anything like reasonable bids are made. Considering the rapid growth of the city in that direction this land should have a value from a speculative as well as from a productive point of view.

## FORGERIES OF DEEDS.

The Times has received the following communication from a gentleman who has had much experience in the matter of real estate titles:

"The Veatch forgeries afford a striking illustration of the necessity for more stringent registry laws. All these forged instruments which have been light show that the enactors and insertions were made in the most bungling manner, and it is a great wonder that they were not detected long ago. The registry laws should be amended by the next Legislature so as to give the Recorder absolute authority to refuse to receive for record an instrument which has any erasure or interlineation that is not carefully noted and certified by the officer who takes the acknowledgment. As it is now, the Recorder does not care to assume the risk of being sued on his bond for refusing to receive for record any instrument, and many instruments are filed for record daily which should never be permitted to be spread upon the records."

"Forgery is altogether too easy of accomplishment, and as property values grow larger, the necessity for more stringent laws is more and more apparent. The amendment of existing registry laws. While the notaries public in these forgeries appear to be entirely blameless, yet it brings to mind the fact that there are not notaries now where there should be one. Two or three notaries in each district would be sufficient to transact all the business done in a city of this size. If there were fewer notaries, men of standing could afford to devote their whole time to the business and could afford to refuse to take an acknowledgment unless the parties were properly identified. Such men could afford to give a large enough bond to protect all ordinary transactions. Instead of the small amount now required, a notary should be compelled to give a bond of at least \$50,000, and before his appointment he should be required to pass a rigorous examination before a judge of the Superior Court. As it is now, anyone who can give a small bond can become a notary, and it is a notorious fact that there are at least one dozen notaries in this city who have been mixed up at various times in frauds of every description and whose proper place of residence should be in the penitentiary."

"Legislators could render no better service to their constituents than to use their effort at the forthcoming session of the Legislature to secure the amendments referred to."

"Another striking illustration of the Veatch forgeries is the value which a policy of title insurance would have to his victims. After he recorded his forged releases the records showed his title to be unincumbered and a certificate of title based only on the records enabled him to successfully carry out his intentions. Such an examination is made when preparing a policy of title insurance, which is why the records are things not generally known to the public. This would have exposed Mr. Veatch's peculiar method of doing business long ago and would have saved his victims much worry and several thousands of dollars."

## WESTLAKE PARK.

The phenomenal amount of improvement that has been going forward in the region surrounding Westlake Park still continues. If anything there is an increase rather than a decrease in the building activity, and the rate of progress it will not be long before vacant lots within half a mile of the park are scarce.

A recent drive through that section shows a number of new residences in course of erection. Moreover, without an exception they are residences of a superior character, costing all the way from \$2500 to \$10,000 or more. Following is only a partial list of residences now in course of erection in the neighborhood of the park:

On Bonnie Brae: S. H. Duff, \$10,000; A. H. Braly, \$8000; T. F. Marley, six houses, \$30,000, and plans prepared for nine, \$45,000; Hubbard, \$15,000.

In Wilshire boulevard tract, D. W. Cunningham, \$2000; J. H. Long, \$2500; the Wilshire Company, four houses, \$20,000; J. W. Vreeland, \$4000; L. M. Williams, \$4000; L. B. Bowen, \$5000; C. T. Mohardt, \$4000; H. G. Wilshire, \$10,000.

This shows a total value of over \$100,000, and the list is far from complete.

The houses now in course of erection in this neighborhood are not only elegant and costly, but show a marked individuality in the style of architecture. Almost every style is represented, and no two are alike in style and coloring. One of the latest designs, and the first of the style yet seen in Los Angeles, is a house on Bonnie Brae, built by T. F. Marley. It is an enterprising gentleman, formerly of St. Louis, where he invested a large amount of money in building operations. He has now come to Los Angeles to remain, and will undoubtedly make things "hum" in the building line.

On the Wilshire boulevard tract,

just west of the park, a large force of men are at work completing the grading, laying sidewalks and planting shade trees. The latter are mostly magnolias and eucalyptus of the new variety, known as eucalyptus pobusta, which makes a handsome shade tree, the young foliage having a beautiful bluish tinge. The improvements that are being made on this tract are of a solid and superior description. The sidewalks include grass plots on each side, being thirty feet in width, and the gutters of cement. Wilshire boulevard is 120 feet wide, the widest thoroughfare in the city. Commencing at this tract the new boulevard to Elysian Park will run north to First street. The Council has already ordered a survey of the route. A short distance north of the tract, near the line of the boulevard, is a well that was bored for oil to a depth of about 1000 feet. It now flows water impregnated with sulphur. The owners of the tract are thinking of leading it into a large tank and making a swimming pond. The transportation facilities of this section will soon be equal if not superior to those enjoyed in any section of the city. Electric cars are now running on the Ninth-street line of the Consolidated Company, and a franchise has been obtained from the end of the line on Ninth street down Lake avenue to the First-street line. The line of the Traction Company along Eighth street, which will also run to the park, these, with the Seventh-street line and the First-street line will give no less than four first-class street-car lines from the city. Such exceptionally good transportation facilities cannot fail to greatly hasten the settlement of this section, and those who are searching for a home in the city will find it in other directions. Los Angeles people have evidently at length begun to appreciate the advantages of a residence in the city, and from now on it may be expected that the choicest residences in the city will be built in the more elevated sections.

## MAIN-STREET PAVING.

The ghost of the Main-street paving dispute has not yet been laid. Discussion among interested property-owners in regard to the terms of the contract still continues, and a considerable amount of strong feeling has been wrought up on the subject. The investor recently had the following in regard to this matter:

"Nothing did so much for the rapid development of Los Angeles as the decision arrived at by the property-owners some years ago to pave the principal business streets with bituminous rock, a natural asphaltic compound that when properly laid defines the curving influence of time. The smoothness of the streets so paved, the ease with which they may be kept cleaned and repaired, the absence of noise in the streets, all strong recommendations. That the anticipations formed by property-owners were not fully realized is no fault of the pavement itself. Ignorance, incompetence and greed soon got in their deadly work; the well laid streets were at once dug up for water, gas and sewer connections, repaired, and after the five years' guarantee given by the contractors had expired, the thoroughfares were allowed to go to ruin without further mending. The result of such neglect is now apparent."

"It is to be hoped that a different fate may attend the work now begun on Main street, a most important thoroughfare and the largest of its kind ever laid in this city, involving paving with asphalt and concrete concrete foundation and two-inch asphaltic surface from Ninth street to the city limits. This job was let at 27 cents per square foot, a profit of 10 per cent, but an additional premium was supposed to cover the risk taken in doing the work under the bond act. The contractor is a stranger here and depends upon outside capital to carry his contract through. His backers are ready nervous on account of the uncertainty imported into the financial results of the contract by the decision of the Supreme Court ordering a rehearing in the street bond case, which was regarded as favorably settled and would have made Main street a gilt-edged job."

"Now, it has come to our knowledge that the extreme measures are being resorted to in order to curtail the cost of this important work to the smallest possible limit. The sub-contractors who will do the successive details of the work are being pinched. That, of course, is business. But when it comes to substituting for a recognized brand of asphalt paving material that is asphalt in name only, as we understand is about to be done, it will be time for the property-owners to take a hand. The Superintendent of Streets is supposed to look after these things, but he cannot be everywhere at the same time, and the property-owners along the line, if we are correctly informed, intend to assist him in his duties."

## THOSE MEXICAN GRANTS.

The question of the validity of several Spanish grants in this section, to which extended reference has been made in these columns, is not to be allowed to rest. A bill has been drafted by Zach Montgomery, the legal representative of the Arizona, New Mexico and California Land League, an organization with a large membership, widely scattered over the southwest. The object of the Settlers' League is to secure such Congressional action as will result in throwing open for settlement large tracts of land which are now, it is alleged, illegally held or claimed by corporations and individuals. This bill will be introduced in Congress at the earliest practicable moment and pushed to an issue. It has the approval of A. H. Garland, ex-Attorney-General of the United States. The bill is entitled "An act to subject to the operation of the homestead laws certain lands now wrongfully held in large tracts by corporations and individuals illegally claimed to have been granted by the Spanish and Mexican governments."

One of the most important sections of the bill is the following:

"In order to avoid a multiplicity of suits, a number of citizens of the United States qualified to avail themselves of the benefits of the homestead laws, who have hitherto voluntarily associated themselves, or who may hereafter voluntarily associate themselves together, either as an independent or as a branch association, for the purpose of defeating any illegal and spurious Spanish or Mexican claim or claims to lands justly belonging to the United States and situated in whole or in part in the county where such independent or branch association exists and holds its meetings, and where a majority of its members reside, may, on behalf of the United States, either in the name of such association or of its president, or both, and for the benefit of its members, whether such association be incorporated or unincorporated, commence and prosecute any such suit or suits against the wrongful claimants of such lands in the same manner as provided for in the preceding sections of this act, and with the same force and effect as the government might or could do provided that in actions successfully prosecuted by and in the name of such association, or of its president, or both,

the land recovered from any such illegal claimant, or the title to which may be quieted against such claimant shall be and hereby is reserved first, for homestead entry, and settlement by the members of said association respectively, to be filed and settled upon by each of said members within the same time and subject to the same limitations and conditions as provided in the act, and hereby is reserved first, for homestead entry, and settlement by the members of said association respectively, to be filed and settled upon by each of said members within the same time and subject to the same limitations and conditions as provided in the act, and hereby is reserved first, for homestead entry, and settlement by the members of said association respectively, to be filed and settled upon by each of said members within the same time and subject to the same limitations and conditions as provided in the act, and hereby is reserved first, for homestead entry, and settlement by the members of said 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## FIELD OF POLITICS.

Teller not Eager to Be Silver Candidate.

Fight in New York Against McKinley is Over.

The Two Sections of the Prohibitionists—Protection and Reciprocity—Blind of Missouri. Vest After Stevenson.

(Washington Special to Chicago Record, June 6) Senator Teller does not take much stock in the proposition to nominate him as the silver candidate for the Presidency. He thinks that ex-Gov. Boies of Iowa will be nominated by the Democrats, and endorsed by the Populists on a 16-to-1 platform, or perhaps Vice-President Stevenson, who is the candidate of the Senatorial syndicate, provided Gov. Algea can be induced to concur. Nearly all the Southern States will come to the convention for Stevenson, and he will be likely to have the support of the sound-money men in the East, rather than Boies or any other extreme free-silver man. The conservative element among the silver Democrats are strongly in favor of Stevenson, and claim that he would poll a larger vote in the Democratic party than any other candidate that can be named.

"Battle is Over." (New York Tribune, June 4) If the Platt headquarters in the Fifth Avenue Hotel had been draped in mourning last evening the theory that there was a corpse present could not have been more completely accepted. Chairman C. V. Hackett, Edward Lauterbach, delegates-at-large; Reuben L. Fox, Dwight A. Lawrence and other funeral managers, in and out of cap and gown, speaking in muffled tones, like undertakers when the friends of the dead man are assembling. "It is no use," said Lauterbach, "to a few of the faithful, who had huddled around him hoping to catch an encouraging word. 'The battle is over,' it is no use keeping up the appearance of a fight any longer. McKinley will be nominated with a whoop. Nobody can prevent it."

Broken Precedents. (Chicago Inter Ocean.) It has been the subject of many a forecast against Reed that no Speaker of the House was ever elected to the Presidency. Then some person who had looked into political history remarked that ex-Speaker James K. Polk, who served from 1835 to 1839, was elected President in 1844. This fact discouraged Reed, but the Grosvenor figures of McKinley delegates again caused him to despair, when he was offered the Vice-Presidency, with a prospect of the Presidency in 1900. Then he was told that no Vice-President had ever been elected President, but another well-posted man referred him to Martin Van Buren, who was elected Vice-President on the ticket with McKinley in 1832 and elected President in 1836. This reminder perhaps induced Reed to stay in the race.

General Grant on Sound Money. (From ex-Senator Manderson's New York Oration.) It is profitable at this time of threatened disturbance of our financial policy, most dangerous to our welfare, to read the short and forcible sentences of Grant's message during his second term, when he was urging the resumption of specie payments. How apt they are! "The good-faith of the government cannot be violated toward creditors without national disgrace." "Our first step should be to secure a currency of fixed, stable value, a currency good wherever civilization reigns." "We must return to a measure of values recognized throughout the civilized world. While we use a currency not equivalent to this standard, specie becomes a commodity like the products of the soil, the surplus seeking a market wherever there is a demand for it." If these words smacked of truth then, they are axiomatic now.

In Two Sections. (Chicago Inter Ocean.) The secretary of the Executive Committee of the National Prohibition party, organized at Pittsburgh, says that the new party represents 170,000 out of the 270,000 prohibition votes of the country. One would say that a party with only 270,000 votes was hardly big enough for one national party. Yet it goes hopefully on its way after splitting itself in two parts, one 170,000 and the other 100,000 strong, upon the liberal estimate of one of its own officers.

A McKinley Suit. (Cleveland World.) In consequence of his foresight last January, Mr. Wake-man, secretary of the Protective Tariff League, is now wearing a McKinley suit, furnished at the expense of a friend who differed with him in regard to the Ohio man's prospects of a nomination. This is not the only McKinley suit likely to be worn before the century is finished, in consequence of the foresight of the majority of the American people in choosing him and what he stands for when a minority were hesitating and imagining that the people wanted somebody else than McKinley. McKinley suits fanned with McKinley buttons, and McKinley wages to pay for them, will soon be the fashion.

Protection and Reciprocity. (New York Tribune.) It is remarkable with what unanimity the newspapers of this State denounce Platt's attempt to create a panic in Wall street, in order that McKinley may be defeated. Of all his organs not one attempts to justify his action, while the most reliable papers condemn the exertion of such influence. A fairly illustrative summing up of the case is that by the Fredonia Censor: the view it takes is that which prevails in the rural sections. "The great question before the country now," says the Censor, "is the restoration of the McKinley tariff. With that we shall have no more times, all the gold brought into the country that will be needed, and labor will be restored with better prices and debts paid much more easily than at present. Protection and reciprocity are the great issues, and other questions will settle themselves by retaining the present financial system."

Bland of Missouri. (Omaha World-Herald.) Bland is not an average candidate by any means. He wears socks, but he doesn't wear a collar on his shirt except on Sunday. He wears knee-high boots most of the time, and a soft cloth hat. His pants are always two or three inches shorter than they should be, but then Lebanon mud sticks like cement, and people who live in that district can't be blamed for wearing what are facetiously called "high waters." Mr. Bland chews a quarter of a pound of tobacco every day in the week, and could give points to Mayor Strong of New York in that polite art.

Vest After Stevenson. (Chicago Post.) Senator Vest has inserted a long-bladed knife into the Stevenson boom and turned it around declaring over his own name that he would not support Stevenson if nominated, that it will not do for the

friends of silver to go through the fire and be seven times burned, and then take up with a candidate who has consistently refused to take up the fight for silver, and that he (Vest) would gladly put Bland in nomination at Chicago if asked to do so.

Booming Days for Bland. (New York Sun.) Joy nestles in the bosom of Richard Parks Bland, and all the clouds that lowered upon his boom turn themselves inside out and show their silver linings. The "crime of 1873" looms before him, greater to see than a sunset in dog-day drought. The money power is seized with guilty trembling of the knees. The sun of hope rises like a colossal silver cart-wheel, and in the West, by request, The Democrats of Oklahoma have instructed their delegates to vote for Silver Dick.

In His Place. (Chicago Inter Ocean.) The Democratic organs which have attempted to make sport over the announcement that 'Mac' McKinley walked in the ranks' on Decoration day have overreached. McKinley belongs in the ranks of the G.A.R. For fifteen months he carried a gun forty rounds and a knapsack, and richly won his honor in the ranks. No Democratic or Mugwump ridicule of his straddle in the ranks will win applause from the millions of people who know true manhood when they see it.

"In High Feather." (Chicago Chronicle.) W. J. Bryan, Nebraska's single-standard silverite and youthful oratorical phenomenon, is said to be "in high feather" over the probable election of a silver majority to the Democratic National Convention. "We shall have a good working majority at Chicago," he is reported to have said. What is the object of a good working majority in the convention with a certainty that at the polls the party will be whipped out of its boots?

Wise Precautions. (Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.) The czar didn't dare to let his enthusiastically loyal subjects cheer him from their housetops, lest they might accidentally throw something at him. That's about how Grover Cleveland feels toward the Democratic rank and file.

Pauperism and a Silver Basis. (Galesburg Mail.) Silver only passes because the government is behind it with gold. There is demagoguery in the appeal being made in behalf of silver. This is proved by silver being called the poor man's money. No money is too good to pay the laborer with. China, the South American countries, and, in fact, all the pauperized countries in the world are on a silver basis.

The Arch Hypnotist. (Chicago Record.) It is now announced that Arch-Hypnotist William C. Whitney will come to Chicago to mesmerize the convention into a state of bland and amiable harmony. It will be recalled that Mr. Whitney performed this interesting feat successfully in about twenty-four hours at the time of the last Chicago convention.

No More Free Trade. (New York Tribune.) "The opposition of the Democratic free-trade press to the nomination of McKinley," says the Poughkeepsie Star, "will only result in strengthening his position. The people have had all they want of free trade, and McKinley's opponents within his own party will find they have been playing a losing game in calling the Democratic press to their aid."

No Cause for Worry. (Philadelphia Inquirer.) Although the Democrats nominate a free coinage candidate upon a free coinage platform, the next President of the United States will be a sound money man. The Republican convention and the people will take care of that.

Dangerous Experiments. (Chicago Chronicle, Dem.) It required twelve years—from 1872 to 1884—for the Democrats to recover from the Greeley experiment. It will require twice that length of time to recover from the experiment of making the Democratic party a Populist party.

CAMPAIGN SHOTS. (Chicago Times-Herald.) Mr. Platt knows he is in the soup, but doesn't know whether he fell or was thrown overboard.

(Chicago Inter Ocean.) Senator Quay knows a great deal more about fishing than some of those other statesmen down east.

(Chicago Record.) Senator Cullom "concedes" Illinois to McKinley, thereby following the example set by Illinois itself.

(Chicago Tribune.) Mr. Platt has decided not to prevent McKinley's nomination after all. His change of front followed the dislocation of his trocha.

(New York Mail and Express.) Senator Quay gives up the fight, but the misguided Platt is still standing in front of the advancing cyclone signaling to it to get out of his way.

(Washington Star.) There is an increasing sentiment to the effect that the Vice-President of the United States ought to have more salary or a chance to do something.

(St. Louis Globe-Democrat.) The sound-money Democrats labor under the disadvantage of not having the pluck that is necessary to the effective assertion of their views.

(San Francisco Bulletin.) Tom Platt will plant the Morton lightning-rod in St. Louis, and if the Vice-Presidential lightning misses it it will be because New York is altogether out of the track of the storm.

(Washington Star.) As a matter of course it was the Pennsylvania delegation that Mr. Quay had in one of his vest pockets at Canton. But no one seems able to say exactly what it was that bulged the other when he came away.

WELCOMING SENATOR WHITE. How the People of Los Angeles Will Receive Him. Senator Stephen M. White, the stalwart champion of a free harbor, will arrive in Los Angeles today. The committee in charge of his reception held a final meeting at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday to perfect the details. The committee will meet at La Grande Station at 10:15 o'clock this morning and board a special car, which will be handsomely decorated by Frank Wiggins. The car will be switched off at North Ontario, and there attached to the train on which Senator White is a passenger.

On reaching Los Angeles the guest of honor and the committee will take their places in carriages, and the procession will move up town, preceded by the Seventh Regiment Band. The party will reach the stand at the corner of Temple and New High streets about 2 o'clock. There will be a few brief speeches, the entire exercises taking but a few minutes, and then Senator White will be escorted by Frank Wiggins to the depot, meet Senator White at the depot, escort him to the stand, and accompany him to his home in triumph.

## WATCHING THE WIRES.

THE DAILY LIFE OF A RAILROAD LINEMAN.

Whizzing Through Southern California on a Railroad Velocipede. Falling from a Horse-top-Held Up by Tramps—The Trains at His Service.

In the northeast corner of La Grande Station is a room which is a medley of glass insulators, coils of wire, glass jars, batteries, copper, chemicals, scraps of iron and all sorts of odds and ends of telegraphic use. This room is the headquarters of R. C. Bagley, the Southern California Lineman.

The Southern California Railroad Company has two linemen, Ed. Myers, who takes care of the wires from San Diego to Los Angeles, and Mr. Bagley, who attends to all the rest of the wires. Bagley has 350 miles of telegraph lines to watch, and there are three wires strung on each line of poles. Almost every day he fastens his tool box on his railroad velocipede, sets his queer steed on the rails and goes whizzing off at a speed of twenty miles an hour. As he spins along, his watchful eye is ever on the lookout for a break in the wire, a toppling pole or an insulator some vandal hunter has been using as a target. Whenever he finds anything gone wrong he lifts his velocipede off the rails, dashes back to the telegraph pole like a cat and has the trouble remedied in a jiffy.

A lineman is the lord of all he surveys. He has an annual pass and can put his velocipede in the baggage car and ride wherever he wishes on the company's lines. He is not like ordinary mortals, who can board or leave the train only at stations, for trains wait for him down wherever he wishes. He carries a red flag with him, and whenever he wishes to board a train all he has to do is to brandish the signal and the engineer forthwith applies the air brakes.

It is a nice job most of the year, for the linemen sit out of doors almost continually, and the California weather is almost always pleasant. When a rainy day comes, the linemen makes no inspection trips but stays in his office. But he does not do that merely for the sake of comfort, as the ignorant might suppose, but to be ready to rally forth at a moment's notice to repair any damages done by the storm. There must be no delay. It is essential that the wires should be kept working. If needed, an engine will be specially detailed to take the linemen to the scene of the trouble.

Lineman Bagley was eight years inspector of the Los Angeles telephone lines. Then, two years ago, he left that position to care for the Southern California Railway's telegraph wires. He had been engaged in the work but a little while when he had a bad accident. Some house movers were moving a house across the railroad tracks at Ferris. Bagley was on top of the house, watching out for the safety of the wires. The house-movers disregarded the linemen's orders and in consequence the wires were broken down and the linemen fell. Bagley was carried into the station with a broken hip. He was suffering agonies of pain, but the plucky linemen forgot himself in the thought that his work must be done. He had himself moved to the window and directed the work of repairing the broken wires, until everything was working smoothly again. Then and not till then did he give up.

The injured linemen was laid up for a whole year, but his salary went on just the same as usual, his doctor's bills were paid and when he grew well again he was put back in his old place. That is the only serious accident Bagley has had. He has often got his velocipede off the track just in time to escape being run down by a train, but he can keep ahead of the freight trains without any trouble and has never yet had a collision.

One day Bagley was out on the desert. His velocipede was off the track and he was having a hard time to get it back. Suddenly he found that two tough hobos were standing beside him, regarding him menacingly. They asked for tobacco, Bagley told them he had none. They asked for money. He refused to supply them. Then the tramps began to threaten. Bagley knuckled down so suddenly he didn't realize what had happened, put the other to flight, lifted his velocipede on the rails and melted away into the distance, leaving a trail of taunts and derisive laughter behind him.

That is the only time anyone has interfered with him, for when an irate property-owner scolds him for loitering off boughs which interfere with the wires, he has the section laborers to move the telegraph pole on railroad land and so settles the dispute.

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